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- It is confirmed that concentration of motorized regiments and infantry has continued in the Khaskovo sector, to which the 2nd Division is assigned. Similar movements have been observed in the Yambol and Simeonovgrad sectors. The concentration seems to be directed to the Maritsa valley.
- Troop movement on the Yugoslay frontier indicates concentration in the sectors: Dragoman--Slivnitsa-Dresnik. Sic probably Breznik.
- Bulgarian maneuvers arranged to accustom the troops to the new Soviet weapons are not to be confused with the regular maneuvers. These regular maneuvers took place, in the sectors listed in Paras. 1 and 2 above, in Jul 1953. While both sets of maneuvers were carefully protected, there seems reason to expect that further information regarding them will be obtained before very long.

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